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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS **Mail Stop Patent Application** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an TOILET OUTLET SEAL and invented by: NICHOLAS ATKINS and PHILIP EGLETON If a CONTINUATION APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information: ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☑ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: Which is a: 10/306,777 ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: Which is a: ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: Enclosed are: **Application Elements** 1. X Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below 2. ☑ Specification having pages and including the following: Descriptive Title of the Invention b. 🔀 Cross References to Related Applications (if applicable) c. 🔲 Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (if applicable) Reference to Sequence Listing, a Table, or a Computer Program Listing Appendix d. 📋 Background of the Invention e. 🔀 f. 🔀 Brief Summary of the Invention Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) X h. 🔀 **Detailed Description** Claim(s) as Classified Below i. 🛛 j. 🔀 Abstract of the Disclosure

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3.	X	☐ Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)							
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	d.	d. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).							
5.		Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked) The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.							
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		Optional) Small Entity Statement(s) - Specify Number of Statements Submitted:			
18.		Additional Enclosures (please identify below):			
		Request That Application Not Be Published Pursuant To 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)			
19. Dursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2), Applicant hereby requests that this patent application published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(1). Applicant hereby certifies that the invention of this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months of the application.					
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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable)							\$0.00
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